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COORDINATING COMMITTEE

RECORD OF DISCUSSION

ON

A TURKISH PROPOSAL TO EXPORT BORACITE TO POLAND

22nd June 1959

Present: Belgium(Luxembourg), Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States.

Reference: COCOM Document 3566.

1. The UNITED KINGDOM, GERMAN, DANISH, UNITED STATES, CANADIAN, FRENCH and JAPANESE Delegates stated that their Governments had no objection to this export.
2. The BELGIAN Delegate stated that his authorities had no objection to the Turkish proposal but that they believed, on the basis of information received from Belgian sources, that it was not impossible that some quantities of boracite despatched to Poland might be diverted to other Soviet Bloc countries. The Belgian Government considered that it would be well to observe prudence in delivering these raw materials.
3. The ITALIAN Delegate stated that he had not yet received instructions from his Government, but that he could give his agreement ad referendum.
4. The NETHERLANDS Delegate had not received his Government's instructions.
5. The TURKISH Delegate thanked the Delegations who had just given favourable replies. In reply to the Belgian Delegate's remarks, the Turkish Delegate pointed out that the Polish authorities had given his Government the assurance that the boracite supplied by Turkey would not be re-exported. The Delegate stressed moreover that the deliveries would be made in small quantities, which would make any attempt at diversion more difficult.
6. On the 23rd June, the ITALIAN and NETHERLANDS Delegates informed the Turkish Delegation and the Secretariat that their Governments raised no objection to this export.

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